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1. Considerable dissatisfaction with the current policies of Tito exists among the ranks of former Partisans. In addition to fighting in Yugoslavia during the war, many of these men were also with International Brigades in Spain and Greece and now feel themselves relegated to minor roles in the present government. Although there has been no united criticism, individuals and small groups are heard to speak of "bowing before the West", "no important positions offered to old fighters", and "high government officials are becoming bourgeois".
2. Aleksandar Rankovic is well aware of the discontent prevalent in these circles but hesitates to bring it out into the open at this time. One of the leaders of these elements, Ratko Vujovic, who fought in Spain, sent a letter to Borba on 29 September in which he criticized the government along the aforementioned lines. The letter was not published but was sent to the Ministry of Interior and was read by Rankovic.
3. Symptoms of dissatisfaction were observed by Pijade several months ago. Pijade spoke of them to Marshal Tito, but the latter was so pre-occupied with the Cominform problem that he did nothing to correct the situation. The Government now is seeking to establish a policy that will appease early Tito supporters who, although their loyalty is not in doubt, now fear that the control of the Government is falling into hands which did far less than they to bring it into existence.

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